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(19½) acres of land, more or less. Reference may be made to Town of Swansea Assessors Plan No. 5, Lot 13. Excepted from said conveyance is 6,400 square feet of land, more or less, taken by the town of Swansea for highway purposes. See taking in Bristol county Fall River registry of deeds, Book 1320, Page 171. See also plan Book 68, Page 45. Said Premises are conveyed subject to an easement to New England Power Company as appears of record and recorded with said registry in Book 731, Page 136.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved August 13, 1999.

Chapter 59. AN ACT RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

A certain parcel of forest land owned by the town of Belchertown is hereby placed under the care, custody and control of the board of selectmen to be used for park purposes. The parcel is shown as Parcel B of a Plan of Land prepared by Almer Huntley & Associates, Inc., dated March 11, 1998.

Approved August 13, 1999.

Chapter 60. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF EASTHAMPTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1-1 of the charter of the city of Easthampton, which is on file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth, as provided in section 12 of chapter 43B of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- City.

SECTION 2. The first sentence of section 1-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 3. The caption of section 1-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "TOWN" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- CITY.

SECTION 4. Section 1-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 5. Subsection (c) of section 1-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

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SECTION 6. Subsection (i) of said section 1-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 7. Subsection (j) of said section 1-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 8. Subsection (k) of said section 1-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 9. Said section 1-7 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out subsections (l), (m), (n), (o) and (p) and inserting in place thereof the following five subsections:-

(l) City - The word "city" shall mean the city of Easthampton.

(m) City Bulletin Boards - The words "city bulletin boards" shall mean the bulletin board in the city hall on which the city clerk posts official notices of meetings and upon which other official city notices are posted and the bulletin boards at any other locations as may be designated city bulletin boards by the city council.

(n) City Agency - The words "city agency" shall mean any multiple member body, any department, division or office of the city of Easthampton.

(o) City Officer - The words "city officer" when used without further qualification or description shall mean a person having charge of an office or department of the city who in the exercise of the powers or duties of such position exercises some portion of the sovereign power of the city.

(p) Voters - The word "voters" shall mean the registered voters of the city of Easthampton.

SECTION 10. Subsection (a) of section 2-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 11. Subsection (b) of said section 2-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 12. Subsection (c) of said section 2-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 13. Subsection (a) of section 2-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 14. Subsection (b) of said section 2-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 15. Subsection (c) of said section 2-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 16. Section 2-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

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SECTION 17. Subsection (a) of section 2-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 17A. Section 2-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 18. Subsection (a) of section 2-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 19. Said section 2-6 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (c) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(c) Rules of Procedure - The city council shall from time to time adopt rules regulating its procedures, which shall be in addition to the following:

(i) Regular meetings of the city council shall be held at a time and place fixed by ordinance.

(ii) Special meetings of the city council shall be held at the call of the council president, or, on the call of any three or more members, by written notice delivered in hand or to the place of residence of each member and which contains a listing of the items to be acted upon. Except in case of an emergency, of which the council president shall be judge, such notice shall be delivered at least 48 weekday hours in advance of the time set for such meeting. A copy of the notice to members shall, forthwith, be posted upon the city bulletin boards.

(iii) All sessions of the city council and of every committee or subcommittee thereof, shall at all times be open to the public and to the press, unless another provision is made by law.

(iv) A full, accurate, up-to-date account of the proceedings of the city council shall be kept, which shall include a record of each vote taken and which shall be made available with reasonable promptness following each meeting.

(v) All business which is to come before the city council shall first be assigned to a standing committee for study and a report with its recommendations to the full council.

SECTION 20. Subsection (a) of section 2-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 21. The caption of subsection (b) of said section 2-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 22. Said subsection (b) of said section 2-7 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 23. Subsection (c) of said section 2-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

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SECTION 24. Subsection (d) of said section 2-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 25. The caption of section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "TOWN" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- CITY.

SECTION 26. The caption of subsection (a) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 27. Said subsection (a) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 28. The first paragraph of subsection (b) of said section 2-8 is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 29. The second paragraph of said subsection (b) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 30. The third paragraph of said subsection (b) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 31. The fourth paragraph of said subsection (b) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 32. The caption of subsection (c) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 33. Said subsection (c) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 34. Subsection (d) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 35. Subsection (e) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 36. Subsection (f) of said section 2-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 37. The second paragraph of subsection (a) of section 2-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

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SECTION 38. The first paragraph of subsection (b) of said section 2-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 39. The second paragraph of said subsection (b) of said section 2-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 40. Subsection (c) of said section 2-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 41. The first paragraph of section 2-10 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 42. The second paragraph of said section 2-10 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 43. The first paragraph of subsection (a) of section 2-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 44. The second paragraph of said subsection (a) of said section 2-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 45. The second sentence of subsection (b) of said section 2-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 46. The caption of subsection (c) of said section 2-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 47. Said subsection (c) of said section 2-11 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 48. Subsection (a) of section 3-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 49. Subsection (b) of said section 3-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 50. Subsection (c) of said section 3-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 51. The first paragraph of section 3-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

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SECTION 52. The second paragraph of said section 3-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 53. The third paragraph of said section 3-2 is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 54. The fourth paragraph of said section 3-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 55. The fifth paragraph of said section 3-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 56. The first paragraph of section 3-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 57. Section 3-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 58. The caption of section 3-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "TOWN" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- CITY.

SECTION 59. The first paragraph of said section 3-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 60. The caption of subsection (a) of section 3-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 61. Said subsection (a) of said section 3-6 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 62. The caption of subsection (b) of said section 3-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 63. Said subsection (b) of said section 3-6 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 64. Section 3-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 65. The first paragraph of subsection (a) of section 3-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

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SECTION 66. The second paragraph of said subsection (a) of said section 3-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 67. Subsection (b) of said section 3-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 68. Subsection (a) of section 3-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 69. Subsection (b) of said section 3-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 70. Subsection (a) of section 4-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 71. Subsection (b) of said section 4-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 72. Clause (3) of subsection (c) of said section 4-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 73. The last paragraph of said subsection (c) of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 74. Subsection (d) of said section 4-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 75. Subsection (e) of said section 4-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 76. Subsection (f) of said section 4-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 77. Section 4-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 78. Section 5-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 79. Subsection (b) of section 5-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 80. Section 5-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

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SECTION 81. Section 5-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 82. The introductory paragraph of section 5-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 83. Said section 5-5 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out clauses (a) and (b) and inserting in place thereof the following two clauses:-

(a) Proposed expenditures for current operations during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by city agency and position in terms of work programs and the method of financing such expenditures;

(b) Proposed capital expenditures during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by city agency and the proposed method of financing each such capital expenditure.

SECTION 84. Subsection (a) of section 5-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 85. Subsection (b) of said section 5-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 86. The caption of subsection (c) of said section 5-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "Town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- City.

SECTION 87. Said subsection (c) of said section 5-6 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 88. Subsection (a) of section 5-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 89. Subsection (b) of said section 5-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 90. Subsection (c) of said section 5-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 91. The introductory paragraph of section 5-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 91A. Section 5-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 92. The caption of section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "TOWN" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- CITY.

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SECTION 93. The introductory paragraph of said section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 94. Subparagraph (a) of the first paragraph of said section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 95. Subparagraph (b) of said first paragraph of said section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 96. The second paragraph of said section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 97. The third paragraph of said section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 98. The fourth paragraph of said section 6-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 99. Section 6-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 100. The first sentence of section 6-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 101. Subsection (1) of section 6-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 101A. Subsection (3) of said section 6-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 102. Section 6-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(a) Establishment, Scope - There shall be a department of personnel which shall be responsible for all personnel related functions and activities of the city, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) Plan, administer and direct all phases and components of the city personnel plan, including wage and salary administration, position classification, sick and vacation leave, employee grievance procedure, accident prevention programs, physical examinations, equal opportunity programs, personnel transactions and all record keeping concerning city employees whether regular, part time, temporary, intermittent or otherwise.

(2) Develop new and revised personnel policies and practices and recommend the same to the mayor and city council for implementation, where such action is necessary.

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(3) Review all requests by city agencies for new personnel, or for increased hours for any existing personnel and make recommendations to the mayor and to the city council concerning such requests.

(4) Advise and assist all city agencies and employees in all aspects of public employment including recruitment, evaluation, promotion, transfer, dismissal, wages, hours and other conditions of employment, insurance benefits and any related matters. The department shall assure that all employees receive every benefit to which such employee is entitled and, conversely, shall assure that no employee receives any benefit to which such employee is not entitled.

(5) Determine before any employee shall be hired, reinstated, transferred or promoted by any city agency that:

(a) There is an existing vacant position to be filled.

(b) The salary which is proposed to be paid is within the existing salary schedule for the position.

(c) There is a sufficient sum of money in the available appropriation of the agency to fund the position.

(d) There has been compliance with the civil service law and rules, if applicable and with any collective bargaining agreements which may be applicable.

(6) Development of a career public service program.

(7) Supervise the registration of all persons who are to be employed by the city in any capacity and certification of lists of eligible persons to appointing authorities whenever vacancies occur.

All city officers and other appointing authorities shall cooperate with the personnel department by providing to it, upon request, any and all information relating to personnel matters as may from time to time be made.

SECTION 103. Subsection (b) of said section 6-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 104. The caption of section 7-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "TOWN" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- CITY.

SECTION 105. Said section 7-1 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 106. Section 7-3 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 107. Section 7-4 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 108. Section 7-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

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SECTION 109. Section 7-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 110. Section 7-7 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 111. The second sentence of the first paragraph of subsection (a) of section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 112. The second paragraph of said subsection (a) of said section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 113. Subsection (b) of said section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 114. Subsection (c) of said section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 115. Subsection (d) of said section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 116. Subsection (e) of said section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 117. Subsection (f) of said section 7-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 118. Subsection (a) of section 7-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 119. Subsection (b) of said section 7-9 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 120. Section 7-10 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 121. Said section 7-10 of said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word "town's", and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city's.

SECTION 122. Section 7-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 123. Subsection (a) of section 7-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

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SECTION 124. Paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of said section 7-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 125. The second paragraph of said subsection (b) of said section 7-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 126. The fourth paragraph of said subsection (b) of said section 7-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 127. Subsection (c) of said section 7-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 128. The first paragraph of subsection (g) of said section 7-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 129. Section 8-5 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 130. Subsection (a) of section 8-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 131. Subsection (b) of said section 8-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 132. Subsection (c) of said section 8-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 133. Subsection (a) of section 8-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 134. Subsection (b) of said section 8-8 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 135. Section 8-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 136. The first paragraph of section 8-12 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 137. The first paragraph of section 8-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

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SECTION 138. The second paragraph of said section 8-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 139. The third paragraph of said section 8-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 139A. The fourth paragraph of said section 8-13 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 140. The first paragraph of section 8-15 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 141. The second paragraph of said section 8-15 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 142. Subparagraph (b) of the third paragraph of said section 8-15 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 143. Subparagraph (c) of said third paragraph of said section 8-15 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- city.

SECTION 144. Subsection (h) of section 9-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

SECTION 145. Subsection (i) of said section 9-6 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word "town", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- city.

Approved August 18, 1999.

Chapter 61. AN ACT RELATIVE TO NONGROUP AND SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PRODUCTS.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide for affordable health insurance, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The third paragraph of subsection (b) of section 3 of chapter 176J of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1998 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking